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Appendix VII.

[Vide item VIII "Communications to the Council" at page 61 supra.]

Statement of Resolutions passed by the Madras Legislative Council during the Second Session, 1927–28, and the action taken thereon by the Government.

Serial number and subject of the resolution.	When passed by the Council.	Nature of action taken by Government.
1. Not to sanction any town-planning or town-improvement schemes of local bodies unless such schemes make adequate provision by way of suitable house-sites and liberal building grants for the rehousing of persons of the depressed classes displaced by the execution of the schemes.	23rd August 1927.	The resolution as passed by the Legislative Council was communicated to all local bodies for information and guidance in connexion with the preparation and execution of town-planning or town-improvement schemes (vide G.O. No. 1734, P.H., dated 7th September 1927).
2. Appointment of a committee to enquire into and report on the grievances of non-gazetted officers.	21st October 1927.	For the reasons stated by the hon. the Revenue Member during the debate, the Government are unable to accept the resolution.
3. Total prohibition of drink in the Madras Presidency within the course of twenty years to be declared by the Government to be their goal.	22nd October 1927.	The resolution was considered by the Excise Advisory Committee and the steps recommended by it are under the consideration of the Government.
4. Release of M. P. Narayana Menon, a Malabar rebellion prisoner.	4th November 1927.	Recorded as adequate surety was not forthcoming that Narayana Menon would abide by the conditions on which the Government were prepared to release him.
5. Prevention by legislation of the practice of dedicating girls and young women to Hindu temples.	5th November 1927.	Forwarded to the Government of India.
6. Exemption of poor girls reading in classes up to III form from the payment of fees	Do.	The Director of Public Instruction has been asked to furnish a detailed estimate of the expenditure involved in giving effect to the resolution.
7. Reduction of the rate of interest on loans advanced to ryots under the Land Improvement Loans Act and the Agricultural Loans Act from 7½ per cent to 5 per cent, the rate levied in the pre-war days.	24th January 1928.	The Government are investigating the question in consultation with the Board of Revenue. The present rate is not, however, 7½ per cent nor was the pre-war rate 5 per cent.
8. To carry out the necessary permanent repairs to the Manur channel and anicut.	Do.	A report from the Collector of Tinnevelly and the Chief Engineer for Irrigation on the question of the improvements and repairs necessary to the channel was called for. The report from the Collector has been received and the Chief Engineer for Irrigation has been asked to submit an approximate estimate of cost of the proposed improvements to this as well as the Marundai channel.

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Serial number and subject of the resolution.	When passed by the Council.	Nature of action taken by Government.
9 Appointment of a committee to consider the problem of physical education in the Presidency.	24th January 1928.	A committee has been appointed by the Government [vide G.O. No. 1315, Law (Education), dated 15th June 1928].
10. Appointment of a Muhammadan as a High Court Judge in Madras.	Do.	There has been no permanent vacancy in the High Court since the above resolution was passed. The resolution will be considered when occasion arises.
11. Appointment of a committee to investigate into the schemes of the high flood channel from the Kistna beginning from Mulapadu.	Do.	The Chief Engineer for Irrigation was asked to report on the points raised in debate by the hon. Mover of the resolution as promised by the then Law Member. His report has just been received and is under consideration.
12. To sanction a special and liberal grant to the Women's Home of Service, Mylapore.	Do.	Even prior to the passing of the resolution the Home of Service, Mylapore, had been liberally treated by the Industries department in the matter of grants. The Government had also in an order issued in September 1927 asked the Director of Industries to consider the question of making more liberal grants in future. As, therefore, no special action was called for in the matter by the Government in the Development Department, the resolution was considered further by the Government in the Education Department. As a result of this the Director of Public Instruction was furnished with a copy of the discussions on the resolution for consideration of the matter when an application for grant is received and for submission of his recommendations, if any, to the Government in the usual course.
13. Disapproval of the Statutory Commission.	25th January 1928.	The proceedings of the Council were forwarded to the Government of India.
14. The Kallar reclamation work to be transferred from the Police Department to the Revenue Department.	27th February 1928.	It has been decided that no action need be taken on the above resolution.
15. To immediately take up the investigation of the Tungabhadra project.	Do.	The resolution has been accepted by Government and a special division has been sanctioned for the investigation of the project.
16. To communicate to the Government of India that in the opinion of this Council the marriageable age of boys and girls should be raised by legislation to 21 and 16 respectively.	27th March 1928.	Forwarded to the Government of India.